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Before the Senate Committees on WATER AND LAND and WAYS AND MEANS

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In consideration of
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 6
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT
COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT KUKUIULA, KOLOA,
KONA, KAUAI, FOR A SEAWALL AND STEPS, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND
MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON

House Concurrent Resolution 6 requests the authorization to issue a term, non-exclusive easement covering 106 square feet, more or less, portion of state submerged lands identified as tax map key: (4) 2-6-011:seaward of 019, at Kukuiula, Koloa, Kona, Kauai for the use, repair, and maintenance of the existing seawall and steps constructed thereon, pursuant to Section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). **The Department of Land and Natural Resources** ("Department") supports this Administration concurrent resolution.

The current owners (grantees) of the abutting property, Edmund and Linda Gregoire, worked with the Department to resolve the encroachments. The improvements were found encroaching on State lands located makai of the shoreline and such area should be considered as submerged lands. As required by Section 171-53, HRS, the Board of Land and Natural Resources ("Board") may lease submerged lands "with the prior approval of the Governor and the prior authorization of the Legislature by concurrent resolution". At its meeting on September 23, 2016, under agenda item D-1, the Board approved the issuance of a term, non-exclusive easement for purposes stated above.

The grantees have paid the State the fair market value of the easement, in the amount of \$7,820, as determined by an independent appraisal for the use of public lands.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

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